

offense, crime, misdemeanor, prosecution or proceeding, except motor vehicle cases, whether now or subsequently defined, unless the statute defining them declares, by specific reference, that this section shall not apply. .

13A. All appeals from judgments of Trial Magistrates taken in accordance with the provisions of the preceding section shall be heard and tried de novo notwithstanding that the person accused pleaded guilty before said Trial Magistrate. Except in cases of appeal from the judgment of the Trial Magistrate, the accused shall be entitled to an appeal to the Court of Appeals from the judgment of the Circuit Court.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1945.

Approved April 27, 1945.

CHAPTER 846.

(House Bill 798)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 14 and 39 of Chapter 548 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1937, increasing the annual tax limit and the maximum debt limit for the town of Ridgely, Caroline County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 14 and 39 of Chapter 548 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1937 be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

14. The Commissioners of Ridgely shall have power to levy annually a tax on the assessable property of said town for the general purposes of said corporation, not exceeding in any one year One Dollar (\$1.00) on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) worth of said assessable property, which shall be a lien on all of said property, real, personal and mixed, within said town until paid, and said taxes shall be due and payable on or before the First day of July, and a discount of two (2%) per cent shall be allowed on the payment of the said taxes if paid during the month of July, in which month they become due, and interest shall be chargeable on such taxes after the First day of September immediately following the date when the same become due and payable.